

At the request and insistence of passengers, many Amtrak trains (and all of the higher-priced trains) include a quiet car where no cell phone use is permitted. With planes, such a segregation is impossible. Further, in a plane, there are rarely empty seats where a passenger can move away from an inconsiderate cell phone user. Accordingly one could be trapped literally for hours next to one or even a group of loud-voiced person talking about matters of interest only to themselves.

Flying these days can be unpleasant enough (what with security delays, narrower seats with steeper pitches, less food service, etc) without adding noise pollution beyond the inevitable occasional screaming child. Surely -- as with smokers -- cell phone users can restrain themselves for the duration of a normal flight. PLEASE don't permit cell phone use on airplanes.

Thank you for your consideration.